RUSLE2

Tennessee NRCS Instructions for Planning with Multi-Management Worksheets (Bringing a Saved Worksheet into a Plan)

The worksheet saves and brings the following information into the plan: field names, soil map unit, percent slope, management alternatives, and accompanying practices. All accompanying information can be edited and saved. Save a worksheet for major soils in your county with average length and percent slope (use your HEL list averages). You may also want to save predominant crops with each soil.

Save Your Location as Default Worksheet (One-time Save)

- 1. Open Worksheet.
- 2. Open default.
- 3. Use drop-down arrow for location, select USA, Tennessee, Your County.
- 4. Left click on yellow folder of worksheet.
- 5. Use pull-down arrow for soils, double click on county, double click on soil, and double click on soil map unit.
- 6. Enter slope length (HEL average listed).
- 7. Enter slope steepness percent (HEL average listed).
- 8. Click on drop-down arrow for managements, select CMZ 63, single or multiyear crop, select crop.
- 9. Enter description for selected crop system (you may want to enter before and after system).
- 10. Bring in more crop systems: click (+) sign above worksheet and edit duplicated line using drop-down arrow. Pick all the top used crop systems in your county.
- 11. Select file, Save as, Your County worksheet (i.e., Williamson County default worksheet).
- 12. Close

Save Your Location as Default Plan (One-time Save)

- 1. Open Plan.
- 2. Open default.
- 3. Use drop-down arrow for location, select USA, Tennessee, Your County.
- 4. Left click on yellow folder of worksheet.
- 5. Save as your County Plan.
- 6. Close.

Bringing Saved Worksheet into a Plan

- 1. Click on Leaf (Plan Icon).
- 2. Open your new county named default (the one you just saved).
- 3. Enter owner name.

- 4. If your county is not listed for location: Use drop-down arrow for Location , select USA, Tennessee, County.
- 5. Right click on Worksheet yellow folder, select Load from File, and click on your county default worksheet. (Now all you need to change is field numbers, soils information, and delete any crop systems that you don't want for a particular plan with these steps below.)
- 6. Left click on yellow folder of worksheet.
- 7. Click on drop-down arrow for Field Name, enter all field numbers that have the same soil, percent slope and length (go to step 12 if soils information is correct).
- 8. Use pull-down arrow for soils, double click on county, double click on soil, and double click on soil map unit (if another soil map unit is needed).
- 9. Enter slope length (HEL average listed).
- 10. Enter slope steepness percent (HEL average listed).
 - If you don't want certain crops included in this worksheet to show up in the plan, answer NO to the question in the last column of worksheet.
- 11. Close Worksheet (the worksheet is automatically attached to the plan).
- 12. If you want to bring in more worksheets for additional fields, click (+) sign above worksheet and edit duplicated worksheet (repeat steps 5-13).
- 13. Select file, save as, name (i.e., farm number, owner name, county).

Print to MS Word Template

- 1. Select file.
- 2. MS Word Template.
- 3. Select NRCS RUSLE2 Plan Record short.pln.dot.
- 4. Print.

Tennessee NRCS Instructions for planning with RUSLE2 were designed by Phil Cherry (NRCS Tennessee State Agronomist) (615) 277-2557